



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 10/705,230
Confirmation No. : 3553
Applicant : H. Shirai
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Title : Hybrid-Vehicle Power Train
TC/A.U. : 3618
Examiner : F. B. Vanaman
Docket No. : SHIR3007/FJD
Customer No. : 23364

RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

The following amendments and remarks are being submitted herewith pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.111 in response to the Office Action of August 15, 2006, and in a bona fide effort to place this application in condition for allowance.

Amendments to the claims appear on page 2 of this paper.